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Dr. David Ross House
Preservation Hill
Western Run Road
Cockeysville
Baltimore County
Maryland

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Ross House (moved from)
Bladensburg,
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE MARYLAND	COUNTY BALTIMORE	TOWN OR VICINITY COCKEYSVILLE
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) DR. DAVID ROSS HOUSE		HABS NO. MD-120
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE ROSS HOUSE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Moved from: Annapolis Road, Bladensburg, Preservation Hill, Western Run Road, Cockeysville Prince Georges County, Maryland Baltimore County, Maryland		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1749. Maryland Historical Trust, Inventory Form	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) "Preservation Hill is a ten acre tract on the east side of Western Run Road. ... Since 1956 Leonard C. Crewe, Jr. and his architect, Bryden B. Hyde, AIA, of Baltimore, have moved two colonial houses to this site, the Ross House and Yates Place. ... Dr. Ross served in the Continental Army and was thought to have been one of George Washington's personal physicians. When Washington became President, he named Dr. Ross auditor for the new Federal City. During the Battle of Bladensburg in the War of 1812, this house served as a hospital for British soldiers. ... The house was known for many years as The Old Sick Hospital. In 1957 the land was sold for a commercial development and the structure was dismantled and all its bricks, planking and handmade nails were stored by a local builder who hoped to reassemble it. ... Mr. Hyde persuaded Mr. Crewe to purchase the building and reconstruct it in Baltimore County. This was accomplished over a period of three years with the aid of J. Hurst Pernell, builder." (Maryland Historical Trust, Inventory Form)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES The Ross House was built in Bladensburg, Prince Georges County, Maryland in 1749, dismantled in 1957, and reconstructed in its present location during the 1960s. Additions at the time of reconstruction include a three-bay wing of similar form but lesser height.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE It is now considered a showpiece of private preservation by the Maryland Historical Trust. It is in excellent condition.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE References listed by the Maryland Historical Trust, Inventory form follow: 1) "The Resurrection of a Dismantled Maryland Classic", <u>House and Garden Guide to American Tradition</u> , 1976. pp. 122-125.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Wilfong, James C., Jr. "Ross House in News", <u>Prince Georges Post</u> , May 23, 1974.		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Marion K Schlefer, Historic American Buildings Survey		DATE October 1985

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